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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Youqi Wang et al.

Application No.: 09/954,449

Group No.: 2856

Filed: 09/17/2001

Examiner: A. Gutierrez

For: RAPID THROUGHPUT SURFACE TOPOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.

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